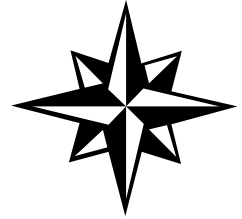




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The mission of Church of the Epiphany is to celebrate the light of Christ, proclaim the Gospel, deepen our faith, nurture and encourage all people.

***~~~Summer Hours for June, July and August Begin June 5
Holy Eucharist will begin at 10 AM during these summer months~~~***

~~From Mother Kelly~~

Epiphany Family,

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Easter. I hope that you have been able to accept your Love Letter of Cosmic Proportions from God. As an Easter People, we are called to live radically. I share with you one of my favorite prayers by St Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring love.
Where there is offence, let me bring pardon.
Where there is discord, let me bring union.
Where there is error, let me bring truth.
Where there is doubt, let me bring faith.
Where there is despair, let me bring hope.
Where there is darkness, let me bring your light.
Where there is sadness, let me bring joy.
O Master, let me not seek as much
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love,
for it is in giving that one receives,
it is in self-forgetting that one finds,
it is in pardoning that one is pardoned,
it is in dying that one is raised to eternal life.

Some important dates in May:

May 10th – Vestry

May 17th – 6:30pm – Theology on Tap

May 22 – Church Picnic after church – Please join us as we celebrate the end of the school year and beginning of Summer.

June 5th – Summer Service Schedule begins. 10 AM

Adult Forum: 10am Sunday mornings. For May, we will be looking at Genesis. Come Join us for some great conversation.

Remember-**Volunteer Opportunities**~~if you would like to help with the Methodist food pantry- they need volunteers on Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon – 2pm.
And, to volunteer at the Methodist garden – contact Joanne at the Methodist office.

Thank you to all who prepared meals for Family Promise this month. Our next cycle will be sometime over the Summer, more when I know.

Finally, the Methodist Food pantry is always looking for **food donations** of non-perishable items. Examples: Chef Boyardee, Boxes of Grits, Mac-n-Cheese, saltines, ramen noodles, canned vegetables, and rice.

Make sure cans do not have rust or dents and boxes are unopened.

Items can be dropped off at the church, and I will deliver on Tuesdays.

And Backpack ministry always needs shelf-stable milk.

Blessings,

Mother Kelly+

May Birthdays and Anniversaries

May 2:	Anna Horner	
May 4:	Adam Parrish	
May 13:		Donna and Dan Babineau
May 17:	Joyce Foggie	
May 18:		Skye Todd and Brad Holmes
May 24:	Dan Babineau	
May 26:		Dick and Linda Barksdale



May, June, and July Schedule **LEM ATLAR GUILD**

May 1:	Lois Love	Harriet Barksdale & Base Smith
May 8:	Donna Babineau & Ed Taylor	Loren Taylor & Base Smith
May 15:	Loren Taylor	Loren Taylor
May 22:	Graham Duncan	Graham Duncan
May 29:	Mark Adams	Graham Duncan and Harriet Barksdale
June 5:	Lois Love	Harriet Barksdale and Base Smith
June 12:	Donna Babineau & Ed Taylor	Loren Taylor and Base Smith
June 19:	Loren Taylor	Loren Taylor
June 26:	Graham Duncan	Graham Duncan
July 3:	Mark Adams	Harriet Barksdale and Graham Duncan
July 10:	Lois Love	Harriet Barksdale and Base Smith
July 17:	Donna Babineau & Ed Taylor	Base Smith & Loren Taylor
July 24:	Loren Taylor	Loren Taylor
July 31:	Graham Duncan	Graham Duncan

Want to learn how to set up the altar for communion? Then, the Altar Guild is looking for you! If you are unable to be a regular part of the guild, but you are willing to fill in for someone on an occasional basis, we also want you. We are in the process of making detailed notes for guild members to use for preparing for services. If you are interested, please contact a guild member. This is an important and rewarding way in which to serve God and his church.

Prayer Requests

Pray for healing and comfort: Jay Betette, Dina Hair, Nathan Daniels, Donna and Daniel Babineau, Leonard Abrams, Heidi Steward, Michael Godwin, Dale Davis Roth, Deven Champaneri, Don Roberts, Megan McCartney, Madison Caughman, Jayne Elmgren, Jackie Vincent, Alexis Walker, Those Unemployed, The Armed Forces of Our Country, and Those Affected by Covid-19.

Prayer requests can be sent to the church in many ways: Our website at <http://epiphanyoflaurens.org/find-us> or by e-mail to [PriestinCharge@epiphanyoflaurens.org](mailto: PriestinCharge@epiphanyoflaurens.org) or by phone at 864.984.7000 (leave message) or drop a note in the basket at the church.

1. **A Prayer for Ukraine**

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at-risk and in fear,

that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen.

Archbishop Justin Welby

Archbishop Stephen Cottrell

Mother Kelly's Office Hours & Contact Information

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Likewise, visit Epiphany’s website, www.EpiphanyOfLaurens.org. It is updated weekly with service information and includes links to newsletters and other pieces of information about Epiphany and the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina.



May 2022 Backpack Ministry Update

The Backpack Ministry program continues with purchases now timed to last until school is dismissed which is scheduled for May 27. Donations designated for the Backpack Ministry are gratefully received and appreciated for the fall semester. If you are able to donate for the Backpack Ministry, please make your check payable to Church of the Epiphany and write “Backpacks” on the Memo line. Your check can be placed in the offering during Sunday services or mailed to Epiphany’s Treasurer: Kara Horner, P.O. Box 742, Laurens, SC 29360.

As always, please contact Connie Daniels, cdaniels1234@hotmail.com, if you have any questions, comments or suggestions for the Backpack Ministry. Thank you for your donations and prayers for this ministry. Stay well!



A Message from Junior Warden, Brad Holmes

We will be getting a new dishwasher, garbage disposal, and a new faucet for the downstairs. The items have been purchased, and we are on the plumber’s waiting list for installation.

Miss Lucy's Garden

Hugh Brownlee has started an Instagram page for Miss Lucy's Garden. It is under the name gardenepiphany. Instagram will be easier than the blog. Hugh plans to keep the blog site, WWW.GARDENEPIPHANY.WORDPRESS.COM, up for now because of the old content. If he eventually deletes the blog, he will let us know.

Send Items for future editions of the Epiphany Star to Bill Cooper at mthappy@prtcnet.com, telephone 864-969-2707 or mail to PO Box 400, Enoree, SC 29335. Let me know of additions or changes to the birthday and anniversary list.